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SUBJECT: SMITHSONIAN: JORDANIAN CONTRIBUTION TO EXHIBIT
ON WESTERN CIVILIZATION

REFERENCE: LETTER FROM DONALD ORTNER TO AMBASSADOR,
OCTOBER 12, 1977

1. DR. DONALD J. ORTNER, CURATOR OF ANTHROPOLOGY, WROTE
REF LETTER TO AMBASSADOR EXPRESSING APPRECIATION
FOR ASSISTANCE BY EMBASSY STAFF IN CONNECTION WITH
ARCHEOLOGICAL FIELD WORK AT BAB-EDH-DHRA, AND REPORTING
SAFE ARRIVAL WASHINGTON OF MATERIAL FROM THERE GIVEN
BY JORDANIAN GOVERNMENT FOR USE IN NEW SMITHSONIAN
PERMANENT EXHIBIT ON RISE OF WESTERN CIVILIZATION.

2. DR. ORTNER LEARNED FROM SAUER OF ACOR IN AMMAN
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THAT ROYAL FAMILY, PARTICULARLY CROWN PRINCE HASSAN, KEENLY
INTERESTED IN HAVING JORDANIAN ANTIQUITIES EXHIBITED
IN IMPORTANT FOREIGN MUSEUMS.

3. OPENING OF NEW EXHIBITION NOW SET FOR JUNE 8 AT
NATIONAL MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY, AND SMITHSONIAN WOULD

BE PLEASED TO INVITE HIS MAJESTY KING HUSSEIN AND/OR
CROWN PRINCE HASSAN, OR DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE, TO
ATTEND OFFICIAL OPENING.

4. SMITHSONIAN REQUESTS EMBASSY'S ADVICE ON FEASIBILITY
AND PROCEDURE FOR ISSUING SUCH INVITATION. OF COURSE,
SPECIAL TOUR CAN BE ARRANGED AT ANY OTHER TIME IF THAT
CONSIDERED MORE APPROPRIATE. VANCE

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